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POST SUBMITS FOLLOWING PROGRAM OUTLINE FOR OUCHI
STRESSIMG LIMITED NUMBER OF STOPS AND SIGHTSEEING.
OUCHI'S TWO PRIMARY INTERESTS ARE ENERGY AND FOOD
RESOURCES AS THEY RELATE TO U.S.-JAPAN RELATIONS. HE
ALSO REQUESTS VISITS RELATING TO HIS SPECIAL INTERESTS
IN JOURNALISM, TAXATION. AS NHK'S TOP ECONOMIC NEWS
COMMENTATOR, OUCHI HAS EXCELLENT OVERALL GRASP OF
SUBJECT AREAS AND CAN DIGEST IN-DEPTH ANALYSES. AS
FORMER NHK NEW YORK CORRESPONDENT REQUIRES NO GENERAL
FAMILIARIZATION PROGRAMMIMG. POINTS OF EMPHASIS ARE
CLASSIFIED AS FOLLOWS BY LOCALITY:

WASHINGTON, D.V.:

1. DISCUSSIONS AT FEDERAL ENERGY COMMISSION ON
PROJECT INDEPENDENCE. INTERESTED IN BROAD POLICY
PROJECTIONS AND MAJOR PROBLEMS ENVISIONED, WITH
EMPHASIS ON POLITICO-ECONLMIC ASPECTS RATHER THAN
TECHNICAL.

2. DISCUSSIONS AT OFFICE OF COAL RESEARCH ON COAL
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3. DISCUSSIONS WITH HIGH-RANKING U.S. AGRICULTURAL DEPARTMENT OFFICIALS ON PROJECTED U.S. AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTIVITY -- I.E., PLANS FOR INCREASED PRODUCTION FOR EXPORT. OUCHI REQUESTS INTERVIEW WITH EITHER ASST SECY RICHARD FELTNER (INTERNATIONAL AFFAIRS AND COMMODITY PROGRAMS) OR ADMINISTRATOR DAVID L. HUME (FOREIGN AGRICULTURAL SERVICE).

4. DISCUSSIONS AT WORLD BANK ON EFFECTS OF OIL CRISIS ON DEVELOPING COUNTRIES.

5. DISCUSSIONS AT INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE ON RELATIVE ADVANTAGES OF DIRECT AND INDIRECT SYSTEMS OF TAXATION. SEEKS AMMUNITION TO OPPOSE PROPOSED REFORMS OF JAPANESE TAX SYSTEM WHICH WOULD MOVE IT CLOSER TO EUROPEAN MODEL.

6. VISIT DEFENSE MAPPING AGENCY TO VIEW UNIQUE SCALE MODEL OF JAPANESE ARCHIPELAGO.

NEW YORK:

1. DISCUSSIONS AT CHASE MANHATTAN BANK - PREFERABLY OIL ECONOMIST - FOR LONG-RANGE PROJECTION ON OIL SITUATION.

2. DISCUSSIONS AT EITHER TEXACO OR MOBIL OIL ON PROSPECTS FOR MIDEAST OIL PRODUCTION.

3. DISCUSSIONS WITH WALL STREET EXPERT ON OIL DOLLARS - WHAT ARE INVESTMENT PROSPECTS FOR ARAB OIL PRODUCING COUNTRIES.

4. INTERVIEW EDITOR OF "FORTUNE" ON EDITORIAL PROCESS - RESEARCH, WORK DISTRIBUTION AMONG STAFF AND CONTRACT WRITERS, EDITORIAL SUPERVISION, ETC. OUCHI ENTERTAINS HIGHEST REGARD FOR MAGAZINE, AND MADE THIS SPECIAL REQUESTS.

5. IF POSSIBLE, WOULD LIKE TO VIEW REFERENCE UNCLASSIFIED

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FACILITIES OF NEW YORK TIMES. POST HAS EXPLAINED TIMES' RELUCTANCE TO ENTERTAIN VISITORS BUT FEELS OUCHI'S LEVEL JUSTIFIES SEEKING SPECIAL PERMISSION TO VIEW THIS ONE FACILITY. OUCHI WISHES TO HAVE AT LEAST ONE FREE DAY IN NEW YORK TO VISIT ACQUAINTANCES.

CHICAGO:

TIME PERMITTING, OUCHI WISHES TO TOUR CHICAGO BOARD OF TRADE TO OBSERVE TRANSACTION ACTIVITIES.

HUDSON, IOWA:

DISCUSSIONS AT AMERIVAN SOYBEAN INSTITUTE ON FUTURE
U.S.PRODUCTION. ALSO WISHES TO VISIT SURROUNDING
FARMLANDS.

COLORADO:

VISIT GREEN RIVER AREA WHERE OIL SHALE IS BEING
EXTRACTED AND OBSERVE ACTUAL PRODUCTION PROCESS.

SEATTLE:

VISIT BOEING AIRCRAFT PLANT.

FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE FOR ALASKA:

VISIT NORTH SLOPE AREA IN ALASKA TO OBSERVE OIL
DRILLING. OUCHI REQUIRES FACILITATIVE ASSISTANCE
IN ARRANGING VISIT AT NHK EXPENSE.

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